

# **PROFILE OF SELECTED HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS** **1990 and 2000**

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	Number 1990	Percent	Number 2000	Percent	Number Change 1990 - 2000	Percent
<b>TOTAL HOUSING UNITS</b>	<b>10,521</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>11,292</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>771</b>	<b>7.3</b>
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE <sup>1</sup></b>						
1 unit, detached	6,518	62.0	7,269	64.4	751	11.5
1 unit, attached	311	3.0	338	3.0	27	8.7
2 to 4 units	2,628	25.0	2,743	24.3	115	4.4
5 to 9 units	278	2.6	357	3.2	79	28.4
10 or more units	575	5.5	569	5.0	-6	-1.0
Mobile home, boat, RV, van, etc. <sup>23</sup>	211	2.0	16	0.1	-195	-92.4
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT <sup>4</sup></b>						
1990 to March 2000	x	x	1,414	12.5	x	x
1980 to 1989 <sup>5</sup>	2,764	26.3	2,195	19.4	-569	-20.6
1970 to 1979	1,482	14.1	1,465	13.0	-17	-1.1
1960 to 1969	1,296	12.3	1,226	10.9	-70	-5.4
1940 to 1959	1,920	18.2	2,082	18.4	162	8.4
1939 or earlier	3,059	29.1	2,910	25.8	-149	-4.9
<b>NUMBER OF ROOMS <sup>1</sup></b>						
1 room	110	1.0	109	1.0	-1	-0.9
2 rooms	259	2.5	251	2.2	-8	-3.1
3 rooms	900	8.6	794	7.0	-106	-11.8
4 rooms	1,921	18.3	1,960	17.4	39	2.0
5 rooms	2,489	23.7	2,471	21.9	-18	-0.7
6 rooms	2,059	19.6	2,153	19.1	94	4.6
7 rooms	1,221	11.6	1,521	13.5	300	24.6
8 rooms	758	7.2	856	7.6	98	12.9
9 or more rooms	804	7.6	1,177	10.4	373	46.4
<b>OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS</b>	<b>8,470</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>9,402</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>11.0</b>
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT <sup>4</sup></b>						
1990 to March 2000	x	x	5,503	58.5	x	x
1980 to 1989 <sup>5</sup>	5,133	60.6	1,486	15.8	-3,647	-71.1
1970 to 1979	1,487	17.6	998	10.6	-489	-32.9
1969 or earlier	1,850	21.8	1,415	15.0	-435	-23.5
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE <sup>4</sup></b>						
None	551	6.5	614	6.5	63	11.4
1	2,868	33.9	3,247	34.5	379	13.2
2	3,657	43.2	3,972	42.2	315	8.6
3 or more	1,394	16.5	1,569	16.7	175	12.6
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL <sup>4</sup></b>						
Natural (utility) gas	1,999	23.6	2,399	25.5	400	20.0
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	236	2.8	293	3.1	57	24.2
Electricity	1,624	19.2	1,532	16.3	-92	-5.7
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	4,359	51.5	5,049	53.7	690	15.8
Coal or Coke	32	0.4	6	0.1	-26	-81.3
Wood	200	2.4	100	1.1	-100	-50.0
Solar energy	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other fuel	11	0.1	16	0.2	5	45.5
No fuel used	9	0.1	7	0.1	-2	-22.2
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS <sup>4</sup></b>						
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	20	0.2	16	0.2	-4	-20.0
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	14	0.2	96	1.0	82	585.7
No telephone service <sup>6</sup>	118	1.4	71	0.8	-47	-39.8
<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM <sup>1</sup></b>						
1.00 OR LESS	8,360	98.7	9,278	98.7	918	11.0
1.01 TO 1.50	83	1.0	90	1.0	7	8.4
1.51 OR MORE	27	0.3	34	0.4	7	25.9

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<b>SPECIFIED OWNER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS</b>	<b>4,237</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>5,061</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>824</b>	<b>19.4</b>
<b>OWNER-SPECIFIED VALUE <sup>1 7 8</sup></b>						
Less than \$50,000	40	0.9	28	0.6	-12	-30.0
\$50,000 to \$99,999	434	10.2	295	5.8	-139	-32.0
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,635	38.6	2,212	43.7	577	35.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,020	24.1	1,238	24.5	218	21.4
\$200,000 to \$299,999	663	15.6	802	15.8	139	21.0
\$300,000 to \$499,999 <sup>(1990: \$300,000 or more)</sup>	445	10.5	317	6.3	-128	-28.8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	x	x	123	2.4	x	x
\$1,000,000 or more	x	x	46	0.9	x	x
Median (\$)	\$150,400	x	\$149,900	x	-\$500	-0.3
<b>MORTGAGE STATUS AND SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER-COSTS <sup>4 7 8</sup></b>						
With a mortgage	2,572	60.7	3,232	63.9	660	25.7
Less than \$300	58	2.3	6	0.2	-52	-89.7
\$300 to \$499	237	9.2	45	1.4	-192	-81.0
\$500 to \$699	517	20.1	248	7.7	-269	-52.0
\$700 to \$999	728	28.3	746	23.1	18	2.5
\$1,000 to \$1,499	772	30.0	1,383	42.8	611	79.1
\$1,500 to \$1,999	177	6.9	615	19.0	438	247.5
\$2,000 or more	83	3.2	189	5.8	106	127.7
Median (\$)	\$884	x	\$1,168	x	\$284	32.1
Not mortgaged	1,654	39.0	1,829	36.1	175	10.6
Median (\$)	\$297	x	\$409	x	\$112	37.7
<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999 <sup>4 8</sup></b>						
Less than 15.0 percent	x	x	1,748	x	x	x
15.0 to 19.9 percent <sup>(1990: Less than 20%)</sup>	2,409	x	788	x	x	x
20.0 to 24.9 percent	506	x	804	x	298	58.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	443	x	540	x	97	21.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	267	x	325	x	58	21.7
35.0 percent or more	595	x	824	x	229	38.5
Not computed	6	x	32	x	26	433.3
<b>SPECIFIED RENTER-OCCUPIED HOUSING UNITS</b>	<b>3,242</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>3,375</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>4.1</b>
<b>GROSS RENT <sup>4 7</sup></b>						
Less than \$200	257	7.9	153	4.5	-104	-40.5
\$200 to \$299	313	9.7	176	5.2	-137	-43.8
\$300 to \$499	719	22.2	550	16.3	-169	-23.5
\$500 to \$749	1,386	42.8	1,461	43.3	75	5.4
\$750 to \$999	336	10.4	664	19.7	328	97.6
\$1,000 to \$1,499 <sup>(1990: \$1,000 or more)</sup>	92	2.8	117	3.5	25	27.2
\$1,500 or more	x	x	49	1.5	x	x
No cash rent	139	4.3	205	6.1	66	47.5
Median (\$)	\$543	x	\$610	x	\$67	12.3
<b>GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME <sup>4</sup></b>						
Less than 15.0 percent	x	x	531	15.7	x	x
15.0 to 19.9 percent <sup>(1990: Less than 20%)</sup>	768	23.7	597	17.7	x	x
20.0 to 24.9 percent	526	16.2	472	14.0	-54	-10.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	516	15.9	385	11.4	-131	-25.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	329	10.1	258	7.6	-71	-21.6
35.0 percent or more	936	28.9	890	26.4	-46	-4.9
Not computed	167	5.2	242	7.2	75	44.9

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x Data not available or not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> 100-percent data.

<sup>2</sup> Data for this category are not fully comparable for 1990 and 2000 due to a change in question wording from "Mobile home or trailer" in 1990 to "Mobile home" in 2000.

<sup>3</sup> Data for this category are not fully comparable for 1990 and 2000 due to a change in question wording from "Other" in 1990 to "Boat, RV, van, etc." in 2000.

<sup>4</sup> Sample data. Sample data were controlled to 100-percent counts for Total housing units and Occupied housing units.

<sup>5</sup> Data for 1980 to 1989 cohort is not comparable. Census 1990 column presents data for 1980 to March 1990; census 2000 column presents data for 1980 to 1989.

<sup>6</sup> Data on telephone availability for 1990 and 2000 are not fully comparable due to a change in the census question on telephone availability.

<sup>7</sup> The Bureau of Labor Statistics' Consumer Price Index (CPI-U-RS) is 196.5 for 1990 and 2252.3 for 2000. To adjust 1990 median dollar values to 2000 constant dollars, multiply 1990 dollar values by 252.3/196.5 or by 1.283969.

<sup>8</sup> In 1990, the number of owner-occupied units differs between data on value (100-percent data) and data on monthly owner costs (sample data). In 2000, data on both items were collected on a sample basis.

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